

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 2, 4-12 and 15-18 are pending. Claims 1 and 2 are now directed to larval tissues. Claim 6 has been revised to refer to the singular form “larva” instead of the plural “larvae”. Claim 9 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Claims 13 and 14 (bait) have been cancelled. New Claims 15-18 are directed to the specific types of larval tissue described in the specification at page 7, line 11. Accordingly, the Applicants do not believe that any new matter has been added.

The Applicants thank Examiner Zeman for the courteous and helpful discussion of November 2, 2004. It was suggested that the Applicants direct the claims to larval tissues to address the scope of enablement rejection. To address the prior art rejection it was suggested that the Applicants might file a Katz-type Declaration. The claims have now been amended to refer to larval tissues and a Katz-type Declaration is attached to this response. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Objection

Claim 9 was objected to as containing a spelling error. This objection is now moot.

Rejection - 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph

Claims 1, 4 and 7-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as lacking adequate enablement. This rejection is moot in view of the amendments above.

Rejection - 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Watanabe, J. Exp. Bio. 205:2799 (September, 2002). Watanabe et al. was published on September 15, 2002 as shown on the

previously attached printout from the J. Exp. Biology website. The Applicants submit that this document is not prior art in view of the attached declaration.

Prior Art/Allowable Subject Matter

The Applicants thank Examiner Zeman for indicating that Claims 1 and 4-12 are free of the prior art and that Claims 5 and 6 are otherwise in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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